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L8 ANSWER 1 OF 1 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2007:819460 HCAPLUS

Updated Search

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 149:94200  
 TITLE: A new method for HCV therapy: RNA-dependent RNA polymerase inhibitor  
 AUTHOR(S): Zhang, Xiu-jie; Han, Xiao-feng; Ouyang, Hong-sheng  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: College of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Medicine, Jilin University, Changchun, 130062, Peop. Rep. China  
 SOURCE: Shengming De Huaxue (2007), 27(3), 251-253  
 CODEN: SDHUEE; ISSN: 1000-1336  
 PUBLISHER: Shengming De Huaxue Bianjibu  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
 LANGUAGE: Chinese  
 AB A review. Hepatitis C is caused by infection of hepatitis C virus (HCV), a worldwide spread RNA virus; about 50% HCV infected cases would developed into chronic hepatitis, which has become a great problem for human health. NS5B protein, a non-structural protein (NS protein) of HCV with the function of RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRp), is the core substance in HCV replication. Therefore, NS5B inhibitors can interrupt HCV replication and may play as anti-HCV drugs. Much work has been done on NS5B inhibitor development and some NS5B inhibitors have enter the clin. trial. Progress of NS5B inhibitor studies are reviewed with 14 refs.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2007:1064219 HCPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 147:383999  
 TITLE: Detection of gene expression by specific cell types in mixed samples or tissues such as mouse thymus cortex or medullary stromal cells using DGEM (differential gene expression mapping)  
 INVENTOR(S): Petrie, Howard T.  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): USA  
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 257pp.  
 CODEN: PIXXD2  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
 LANGUAGE: English  
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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: US 2006-782124P P 20060314  
**AB** Differential gene expression mapping (DGEM) utilizes (1) laser capture microdissection or other methods of microdissection of the tissue regions of interest; (2) microarray screening of RNA isolated from the microdissected regions and anal. of purified individual cellular components from the tissue; and (3) computational profiling or subtraction to identify gene expression by specific cell types *in situ*. The method was applied to stromal cells from whole cortical and medullary regions of C57BL6 mouse thymus. As a result, DGEM, a reverse identification approach, solves previously insurmountable problems, as the lymphoid progenitors can be readily isolated, allowing fluctuations in receptor expression on lymphoid cells to be used to predict stratified stromal signals. An algorithmic approach can be used for calculating the expression profile of a tissue/sample of interest that consists of at least two types of cells. Specifically, the approach electronically subtracts the expression profile of one component of a sample from the expression profile of the total sample, thus revealing the profiles of the other component. To confirm the robustness of the DGEM procedure, the gene expression profiles from each sample of whole medulla, whole cortex, cortical thymocytes and medullary thymocytes was sorted based only on the expression data.

L9 ANSWER 2 OF 3 HCPLUS COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005:67469 HCPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 142:309250

TITLE: Inhibition of native hepatitis C virus replicase by nucleotide and non-nucleoside inhibitors

AUTHOR(S): Ma, Han; Leveque, Vincent; De Witte, Anniek; Li, Weixing; Hendricks, Than; Clausen, Saundra M.; Cammack, Nick; Klumpp, Klaus

CORPORATE SOURCE: Roche Palo Alto LLC, Palo Alto, CA, 94304, USA  
 SOURCE: Virology (2005), 332(1), 8-15

PUBLISHER: Elsevier  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
 LANGUAGE: English

**AB** A number of nucleotide and non-nucleoside inhibitors of HCV polymerase are currently under investigation as potential antiviral agents to treat HCV-infected patients. HCV polymerase is part of a replicase complex including the polymerase subunit NS5B together with other viral and host proteins and viral RNA. The RNA synthesis activity of the native replicase complex was inhibited by 3'-deoxy-CTP, a chain-terminating nucleotide analog, but not inhibited by non-nucleoside NS5B polymerase inhibitors of three different structural classes. The HCV replicase was also resistant to heparin, a broad-spectrum, RNA-competitive polymerase inhibitor. Prebinding of the recombinant NS5B protein with a RNA template rendered the polymerase largely resistant to the inhibition by heparin and the non-nucleoside inhibitors, but did not affect the inhibitory potency of 3'-deoxy-CTP. Therefore, the HCV

replicase showed a similar pattern of inhibitor sensitivity as compared to RNA-bound NS5B. These results suggest that the native HCV replicase complex represents a stable and productive polymerase-RNA complex. The allosteric non-nucleoside NS5B polymerase inhibitors are inactive against established HCV replicase but may function antagonistically with the formation of a productive enzyme-template complex.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:893420 HCPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 136:112840  
 TITLE: Binding of the  $\beta 2$  adrenergic receptor to N-ethylmaleimide-sensitive factor regulates receptor recycling  
 AUTHOR(S): Cong, Mei; Perry, Stephen J.; Hu, Liao yuan A.; Hanson, Phyllis I.; Claing, Audrey; Lefkowitz, Robert J.  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Departments of Medicine and Biochemistry, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC, 27710, USA  
 SOURCE: Journal of Biological Chemistry (2001), 276(48), 45145-45152  
 CODEN: JBCHA3; ISSN: 0021-9258  
 PUBLISHER: American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
 LANGUAGE: English

AB Following agonist stimulation, most G protein-coupled receptors become desensitized and are internalized, either to be degraded or recycled back to the cell surface. What deter. the fate of a specific receptor type after it is internalized is poorly understood. Here we show that the rapidly recycling  $\beta 2$  adrenergic receptor ( $\beta 2$ AR) binds via a determinant including the last three amino acids in its carboxyl-terminal tail to the membrane fusion regulatory protein, N-ethylmaleimide-sensitive factor (NSF). This is documented by *in vitro* overlay assays and by cellular coimmunoprecipitations. Receptors bearing mutations in any of the last three residues fail to interact with NSF. After stimulation with the agonist isoproterenol, a green fluorescent protein fusion of NSF colocalizes with the wild type  $\beta 2$ AR but not with a tail-mutated  $\beta 2$ AR. The  $\beta 2$ AR-NSF interaction is required for efficient internalization of the receptors and for their recycling to the cell surface. Mutations in the  $\beta 2$ AR tail that ablate NSF binding reduce the efficiency of receptor internalization upon agonist stimulation. Upon subsequent treatment of cells with the antagonist propranolol, wild type receptors return to the cell surface, while tail-mutated receptors remain sequestered. Thus, the direct binding of the  $\beta 2$ AR to NSF demonstrates how, after internalization, the fate of a receptor is reliant on a specific interaction with a component of the cellular membrane-trafficking machinery.

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TITLE:                     Protein expression system usi
AUTHOR(S):                 Wu, Xiao-wen; Xu, Fan-hong; Z
CORPORATE SOURCE:          First Research Office, Shanghai
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 CODEN: GSZZAK; ISSN: 1673-4211

PUBLISHER: Guoji Shengwu Zhipinxue Zazhi Bianjibu  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
 LANGUAGE: Chinese

AB A review. This article reviews the protein expression system using Leishmania. The article discusses the gene expression from transcription by T7 RNA polymerase and RNA polymerase II. The article also discusses the expression of HBsAg antigen.

L13 ANSWER 2 OF 9 HCPLUS COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2007:819460 HCPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 149:94200  
 TITLE: A new method for HCV therapy: RNA-dependent RNA polymerase inhibitor

AUTHOR(S): Zhang, Xiu-jie; Han, Xiao-feng; Ouyang, Hong-sheng  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: College of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Medicine, Jilin University, Changchun, 130062, Peop. Rep. China  
 SOURCE: Shengming De Huaxue (2007), 27(3), 251-253  
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AB A review. Hepatitis C is caused by infection of hepatitis C virus (HCV), a worldwide spread RNA virus; about 50% HCV infected cases would developed into chronic hepatitis, which has become a great problem for human health. NS5B protein, a non-structural protein (NS protein) of HCV with the function of RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRp), is the core substance in HCV replication. Therefore, NS5B inhibitors can interrupt HCV replication and may play as anti-HCV drugs. Much work has been done on NS5B inhibitor development and some NS5B inhibitors have enter the clin. trial. Progress of NS5B inhibitor studies are reviewed with 14 refs.

L13 ANSWER 3 OF 9 HCPLUS COPYRIGHT 2008 ACS on STN  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006:741280 HCPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 145:329946  
 TITLE: Nonstructural protein 5B of hepatitis C virus  
 AUTHOR(S): Lee, Jong-Ho; Nam, In Young; Myung, Heejoon  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Bioscience and Biotechnology, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Yongin, 449-791, S. Korea  
 SOURCE: Molecules and Cells (2006), 21(3), 330-336  
 CODEN: MOCEEK; ISSN: 1016-8478  
 PUBLISHER: Korean Society for Molecular and Cellular Biology  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
 LANGUAGE: English

AB A review. Since its identification in 1989, hepatitis C virus was the subject of extensive research. The biol. of the virus and the development of antiviral drugs are closely related. The RNA polymerase activity of nonstructural protein 5B was first demonstrated in 1996. NS5B is believed to localize to the perinuclear region, forming a replicase complex with other viral proteins. It has a typical polymerase structure with thumb, palm, and finger domains encircling the active site. A de novo replication initiation mechanism was suggested. To date, many small mol. inhibitors are known including nucleoside analogs,

non-nucleoside analogs, and pyrophosphate mimics. NS5B interacts with other viral proteins such as core, NS3, 4A, 4B, and 5A. The helicase activity of NS3 seems necessary for RNA strand unwinding during replication, with other nonstructural proteins performing modulatory roles. Cellular proteins interacting with NS5B include VAMP-associated proteins, heIF4AI1, hPLIC1, nucleolin, PRK2,  $\alpha$ -actinin, and p68 helicase. The interactions of NS5B with these proteins might play roles in cellular trafficking, signal transduction, and RNA polymerization, as well as

the regulation of replication/translation processes.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:475491 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 141:65664

TITLE: Transcription and replication of influenza virus genome

AUTHOR(S): Honda, Ayae; Ishihama, Akira

CORPORATE SOURCE: Mol. Biol. Div., Nippon Inst. Biol. Sci., Japan

SOURCE: Tanakashita Kakusan Koso (2004), 49(8), 1204-1211

CODEN: TAKKJ; ISBN: 0039-9450

PUBLISHER: Kyoritsu Shuppan

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review

LANGUAGE: Japanese

AB A review on the genome structure of influenza virus, its peculiar transcription mechanism, function regulation by "cap effector", a functional map of the viral RNA polymerase, proteins involved in functional transformation of RNA polymerase, and mols. determining the host factors.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:255241 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 141:67932

TITLE: Effects of genotypic variations on hepatitis C virus nonstructural protein 5B structure and activity

AUTHOR(S): Hong, Zhi; Ferrari, Eric B.; Skelton, Angela; Wright-Minogue, Jacquelyn; Zhong, Weidong; Lesburg, Charles A.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Antiviral Therapy, Schering-Plough Research Institute, Kenilworth, NJ, 07033-0539, USA

SOURCE: Frontiers in Viral Hepatitis (2003), 109-121.

Editor(s): Schinazi, Raymond F.; Sommadossi, Jean-Pierre; Rice, Charles M. Elsevier: Amsterdam, Neth.

CODEN: 69FEJF; ISBN: 0-444-50986-0

DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference; General Review

LANGUAGE: English

AB A review. Nonstructural protein 5B (NS5B) of hepatitis C virus (HCV) possesses an RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRp) activity responsible for viral genome replication. It presents an excellent target for antiviral development. Recent studies revealed that removal of the C-terminal hydrophobic domain improved the solubility of NS5B to a level suitable for enzymic characterization and structural determination. This hydrophobic C-terminal tail is highly conserved among all six genotypes of

HCV, indicating an important functional and structural role, presumably as a membrane anchor for the assembly of a replication complex. Similar hydrophobic domains were also identified in related viruses such as pestiviruses and GB viruses. Removal of these hydrophobic domains had a universal impact on enzyme solubility and resulted in production of

soluble polymerases from all six HCV genotypes, as well as from pestiviruses and GB viruses. Biochem. characterization demonstrated that the activity of RdRps from different HCV genotypes/subtypes varied and lacked a clear correlation either to the response to combination therapy or to the plasma viremia levels. Structure-based surface variability anal. further identified highly conserved regions in the active site and predicted asym. distribution of important functionality and critical structural elements essential for replication.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:509812 HCPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:97543

TITLE: Biochemical and immunologic properties of the nonstructural proteins of the hepatitis C virus: Implications for development of antiviral agents and vaccines

AUTHOR(S): De Francesco, Raffaele; Nedermann, Petra; Tomel, Licia; Steinkuhler, Christian; Gallinari, Paola; Folgori, Antonella

CORPORATE SOURCE: Istituto di Ricerche di Biologia, Molecolare, "P. Angeletti," Pomezia, Rome, Italy

SOURCE: Seminars in Liver Disease (2000), 20(1), 69-83

PUBLISHER: Thieme Medical Publishers, Inc.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review

LANGUAGE: English

AB A review with 150 refs. Infection with the hepatitis C virus (HCV) is the major cause of non-A, non-B hepatitis worldwide. The viral genome, a pos.-sense, single-stranded, 9.6-kb long RNA mol., is translated into a single polyprotein of about 3,000 amino acids. The viral polyprotein is proteolytically processed to yield all the mature viral gene products. The genomic order of HCV has been determined to be C → E1 → E2 → p7 → NS2 → NS3 → NS4A → NS4B → NS5A → NS5B. C, E1, and E2 are the virion structural proteins. Whereas the function of p7 is currently unknown, NS2 to NS5B are thought to be the nonstructural proteins. Generation of the mature nonstructural proteins relies on the activity of viral proteinases. Cleavage at the NS2-NS3 junction is accomplished by a metal-dependent autocatalytic proteinase encoded within NS2 and the N-terminus of NS3. The remaining downstream cleavages are effected by a serine proteinase contained also within the N-terminal region of NS3. NS3, in addition, contains an RNA helicase domain at its C-terminus. NS3 forms a heterodimeric complex with NS4A. The latter is a membrane protein that acts as a cofactor of the proteinase. Although no function has yet been attributed to NS4B, NS5A has been recently suggested to be involved in mediating the resistance of the HCV to the action of interferon. Finally, the NS5B protein has been shown to be the viral RNA-dependent RNA polymerase. This article reviews the current

understanding of the structure and the function of the various HCV nonstructural proteins with particular emphasis on their potential as targets for the development of novel antiviral agents and vaccines.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:435447 HCPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 127:146877  
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 TITLE: The nonstructural proteins of the hepatitis C virus. Structure and functions  
 AUTHOR(S): Neddermann, Petra; Tomei, Licia; Steinkuhler, Christian; Gallinari, Paola; Tramontano, Anna; De Francesco, Raffaele  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Istituto Ricerche Biologia Molecolare "P. Angeletti", Rome, I-00040, Italy  
 SOURCE: Biological Chemistry (1997), 378(6), 469-476  
 CODEN: BICHF3; ISSN: 1431-6730  
 PUBLISHER: de Gruyter  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 AB A review is given with many refs. The hepatitis C virus is the major causative agent of nonA-nonB hepatitis worldwide. Although this virus cannot be cultivated in cell culture, several of its features were been elucidated. The viral genome is a single-stranded, 9.5kb long RNA mol. of pos. polarity. The viral genome is translated into a single polyprotein of about 3000 amino acids. The virally encoded polyprotein undergoes proteolytic processing by a combination of cellular and viral proteolytic enzymes in order to yield all the mature viral gene products. The gene order of HCV was C-E1-E2-p7-NS2-NS3-NS4A-NS4B-NS5A-NS5B. The mature structural proteins, C, E1 and E2 were shown to arise from the viral polyprotein via proteolytic processing by host signal peptidases. Conversely, generation of the mature nonstructural proteins relies on the activity of viral proteases. Thus, cleavage at the NS2/NS3 junction is accomplished by a metal-dependent autoprotease encoded within NS2 and the N-terminus of NS3. The remaining cleavages downstream from this site are effected by a Ser protease contained within the N-terminal region of NS3. Besides the protease domain, NS3 also contains an RNA helicase domain at its C-terminus. NS3 forms a heterodimeric complex with NS4A. The latter is a membrane protein that acted as a cofactor of the protease. Whereas the NS5B protein was the viral RNA-dependent RNA polymerase, no function has yet been attributed to NS4B and NS5A. The latter is a cytoplasmic phosphoprotein and appears to be involved in mediating the resistance of the hepatitis C virus to the action of interferon.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 1995:29133 HCPLUS  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 122:72750  
 ORIGINAL REFERENCE NO.: 122:13675a,13678a  
 TITLE: Structure, organization, and expression of hepatitis C virus genome  
 AUTHOR(S): Fukue, Isao; Manabe, Sadao; Okayama, Hiroto  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Research Foundation Microbial Diseases Osaka

SOURCE: University, Kanonji, 768, Japan  
Asian Medical Journal (1994), 37(5), 240-5  
CODEN: ASMJAB; ISSN: 0004-461X

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AB A review with 11 refs. Hepatitis C virus (HCV) is the major causative agent of posttransfusion non-A, non-B hepatitis, which has long been a serious medical problem worldwide. Following the isolation part of the HCV genome by Choo et al., the entire genome of ten independent HCV strains has subsequently been cloned and their primary structures have been elucidated. Sequence anal. has suggested that HCV is related to both flaviviruses and pestiviruses. The authors recently constructed a recombinant vaccinia virus that carried the entire HCV polyprotein coding region under an appropriate promoter. After infection of Chang liver cells with the recombinant virus, the entire HCV polyprotein was produced and processed into core, envelope, E2, NS1, and NS3 proteins, as well as unexpectedly small NS4, NS5a, and NS5b proteins due to further cleavage of NS5 and perhaps NS2. Mutation and coexpression of studies of NS3 indicated that production of the nonstructural proteins of HCV absolutely requires an NS3-encoded putative protease.

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AB A review with 19 refs. Nucleotide sequence of primer RNA, interactions between minus chain origin and DNA and RNA polymerase, protein binding to DNA, etc. were related to mechanisms of initiation of replication of minus and plus DNA chains of filamentous bacteriophage.